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Maryland Man Convicted of Assault In Attack Against Ex-Girlfriend, Another Man - Incident Took Place on the Street in Southeast Washington -

WASHINGTON – Antoine Robinson, 23, of Temple Hills, Maryland, has been convicted of assault with significant bodily injury and other charges stemming from an attack on the street against his ex-girlfriend and another man, U.S. Attorney Ronald C. Machen Jr. announced.

A jury convicted Robinson of the charges on June 30, 2011, following a trial in the Superior Court of the District of Columbia. The Honorable Michael Ryan scheduled sentencing for September 1, 2011. Robinson faces up to three years in prison for assault with significant bodily injuries, up to 180 days for assault, and up to 90 days for taking property without right.

According to the government's evidence, the victim, who is Robinson's ex-girlfriend, and a male friend were going to a friend's home in the late afternoon of August 26, 2010 when they were accosted by Robinson and another man in the area of Benning Road and East Capitol Street SE. The trouble began soon after Robinson called his ex-girlfriend on her phone and told her that his friends had seen her in the area and that he was going to beat her and the male friend.

Soon after that, as the victims continued walking, the ex-girlfriend heard Robinson's voice. She ran to get away. Robinson and his associate, who was identified only as "Crunch," chased her. They caught her and kicked her. When the woman's friend tried to intervene, Robinson punched him in the face. That led to a physical altercation in which Robinson and "Crunch" beat the victim. The male victim suffered a fractured orbital bone and other injuries.

In announcing the guilty verdict, U.S. Attorney Ronald Machen expressed his appreciation to the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD), and particularly praised the work of Detective Thurman Stallings and Officers Linda Allen, Felix Lina, and Vincent Lucky. He also commended the efforts of U.S. Attorney's Office Paralegal Joyce Arthur, and Thomas Royal of Litigation Technology Services, who assisted with the presentation of electronic evidence during

trial. Finally, he commended Assistant U.S. Attorneys Heather Hill, who investigated and indicted the case, and Michelle Bradford, who tried the case.

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